# INTRODUCTION TO INSULATING CONCRETE FORMS



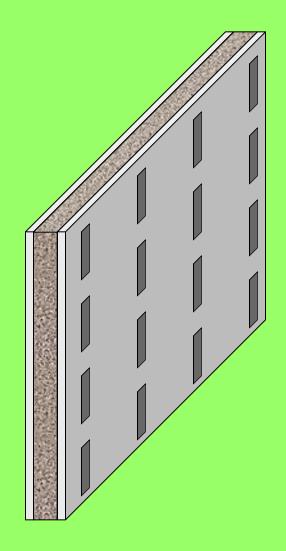
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#### WALL FUNCTIONS

Structure
Insulation
Finish Attachment
Chase for utilities





#### Typical ICF Wall

100% insulation (R- 18 to 22)
100% monolithic structure
Integral furring
Fully insulated chase cavity

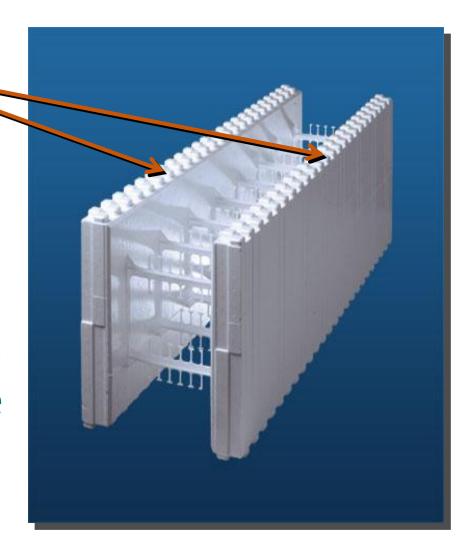
**Face Shell** 

2 to 2.5" thick

R- 18 to R-22

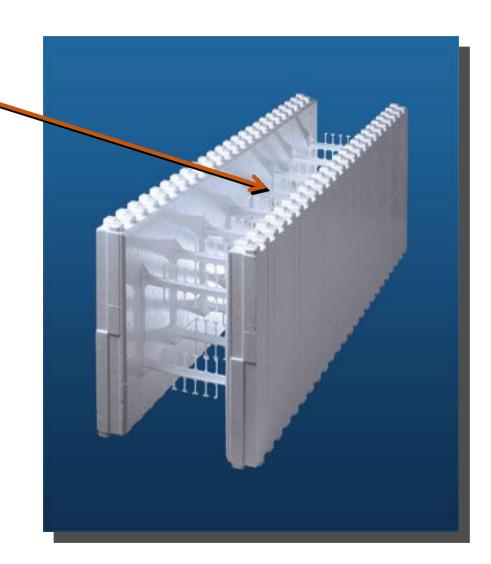
**EPS or XPS** 

Withstands internal pressure of concrete during placement



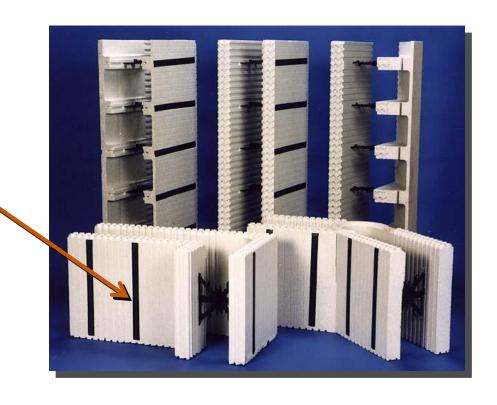
Form Tie

Plastic or metal
6" to 12" o.c.
Rebar saddles



Form Tie Face

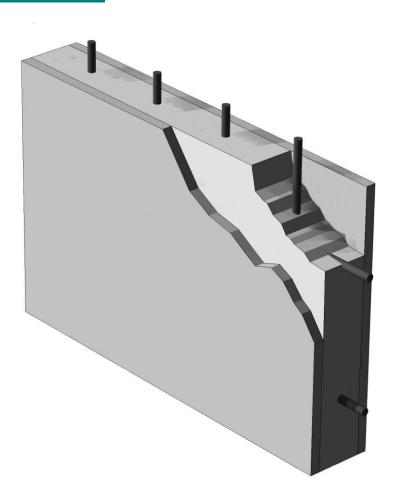
Tie face for attachment of finishes can be exposed or recessed



#### Reinforced Concrete Core

4", 6" or 8" thick 10"+ in 2" increments Monolithic, 2,500 to 4,000 psi 6"slump 3/8" aggregate

Rebar = 40 or 60 ksi



# QUIET COMFORT



ICFs Have High STC Ratings 6" ICF wall = 57

Collaborative for High-Performance Schools study shows as noise is reduced inside classrooms, test scores increase

# END RESULT

#### **Exterior shell with:**

Superior strength
Thermal performance

High R-value

Thermal mass

Virtually no thru wall infiltration

Acoustical attenuation Disaster resistance

Low Maintenance





# ICF HISTORY

• EPS was created by the German chemical company BASF in 1940s.

• Werner Gregori created the foam ICF concept in the mid 1960's as a foundation material, and submitted patents in 1966.





• Currently, 70% of the ICF market is residential and 30% is commercial

# SCHOOLS



# SAFETY



# THANK YOU